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100 Autobase Classic

50 Plus Reducer



Use Sikkens measuring stick

1 Black



Spray gun set-up: Application pressure:

1.2-1.4 mm 1.7-2.2 bar at the air inlet

HVLP max 0.6-0.7 bar at the air cap



Application metallic colors: Application solid colors:

Full coat – intermediate coat – mist 2 x 1 coat

coat



Between coats Before clearcoat application

3-5 minutes at 20°C 15 minutes at 20°C



Clearcoat application See clearcoat T.D.S.



Use suitable respiratory protection

Akzo Nobel Car Refinishes recommends the use of a fresh air supply respirator

Read complete TDS for detailed product information



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#### Suitable substrates

Existing finishes.

All current Sikkens preparatory products, with the exception of washprimers

#### Products and additives

Autobase Classic MM colors

Plus Plus Reducer Fast: spot and panel repairs, temperature range: 15°C-25°C.

Reducers Plus Reducer Medium: spot and panel repairs and large areas, temperature range: 20°C-30°C. Plus Reducer Slow: larger areas and complete paint jobs, temperature range: 25°C-35°C.

Plus Reducer Extra Slow: temperature range: above 35°C.

## Basic raw materials

Autobase Classic: Physical drying binders

## Surface preparation



Final sanding step P500

For detailed surface preparation see TDS S8.06.02



Final sanding step P1000

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Remove contamination using an appropriate cleaner



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#### Mixing



#### **Mixing Machine**

Stir MM toners every 4 hours for 15 minutes.



## Stir after mixing

Stir the Autobase Classic MM colors thoroughly directly after mixing the color formula.



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Some metallic colors show a higher sensitivity for cloudiness/mottling. Adding 30 <u>additional</u> parts of Plus Reducer will give improved metallic orientation, sprayability and flow.

## Viscosity



14-16 seconds DIN cup 4 at 20°C.

## Spray gun set-up / application pressure



Spray gun Gravity feed

Fluid tip – set-up 1.2-1.4 mm **Application pressure** 

1.7-2.2 bar at the spray gun air inlet HVLP max 0.6-0.7 bar at the air cap

## Pot-life

6 Months at 20°C when stored in a closed can.

4 Hours at 20°C in a closed can, when mixed with hardener.

Stir the ready to spray mixture thoroughly before use.

#### Application process

#### Solid colors

Apply 2 single coats or until opacity is achieved. Flash-off between coats until completely matt

#### **Metallic colors**

Apply a closed wet coat. Next apply a light wet coat. Flash-off between coats until completely matt. Next apply a mist coat.

#### Spot repairs:

Decrease application pressure and apply thin coats until opacity is achieved

Dry until matt before fading out well beyond the edges. In case of metallic colors apply a drop coat if needed. In the case of well hiding colors, transparency can be increased by adding Z070 RTS to the mixed color.

Allow for a minimum of 15 minutes final flash-off time at 20°C before clearcoat application.





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#### Film thickness

By using the recommended application;

Solid colors 20-30 microns Metallic and Pearl colors 15-25 microns

## Masking

Autobase Classic can be taped after at least 20 minutes flash-off at 20°C.

## Denibbing

Allow Autobase Classic to flash-off for at least 20 minutes at 20°C.

Then lightly sand the damaged area with P500 free-cut dry or P1000 grit wet sanding paper.

Thoroughly remove sanding residue before continuing Autobase Classic application.

#### Recoatable with

All current Sikkens clearcoats, with the exception of Autoclear LV Superior Autoclear UV Autoclear 2.0

#### Recoat time



Autobase Classic Solid: 5 hours

Autobase Classic Metallic and Pearl: 48 hours

To extend the re-coat time of solid colors up to 48 hours, add 10% of Hardener P25. Stir thoroughly before adding Plus Reducer.

## Material usage

By using the recommended application the theoretical material usage is ± 10 m<sup>2</sup>/l RTS mixture.

The practical material usage depends on many factors i.e. shape of the object, roughness of the surface, application techniques, pressure, method and application circumstances

#### Cleaning of equipment

Sikkens Solvents or solvent borne Guncleaners.

#### Product storage

Product shelf-life is determined when products are stored unopened at 20°C. Avoid extreme temperature fluctuation.

Product shelf life data see TDS S9.01.02.



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